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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

BLACK SHIELD Coordination Visit SUBJECT:

BLACK SHIELD coordination meeting was held at on 14 - 15 Sept for the purpose of discussing informally 25X1 various problem areas, unresolved points, and to establish guide lines to be used in completing PINWHEEL Operations Plan, and revision of CAROUSEL Deployment Plan. Attendance at meeting was much greater than antici-25X pated and included the following:

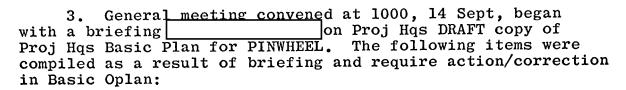
SAC Hqs.

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GROUP 1 Excluded from automatic downgrading and declassification

USAF review(s) completed.

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- A. Designation of deployed task force: Tentatively established as 1313 Technical Test Group (provisional); this designation to be finalized by Security.
- B. Movement of take: SAC (Major Pizzo) noted SAC tasked for "take" movement. Lt. Col. Dayton indicated that this was not desirable, but could possibly be tied in with KC-135's being returned to Z.I. for scheduled maintenance.
- C. Forward staging bases: Final Oplan should make provision for the Logistic, Commo, Security support at forward tanker support bases. To be indicated in appropriate annexes.
- D. Responsibility for airspace coordination:
 Organization responsible for obtaining special Air Space
 reservations/coordination required for Operational missions
 to be shown in Basic Plan. Proj Hqs to be tasked with this
 in Basic Oplan procedures to accomplish will be sent forward in a special Appen. to Operations Annex.
- 4. The following items were determined by discussion after briefing and by smaller working groups convened after opening meeting:

A. PINWHEEL Oplan

- (1) It was agreed that Kadena DTFC be included as addressee on Flash Weather Scout msgs and final met watch. Proj Hqs Ops/Commo to work out procedure to be included in Ops Plan.
- (2) Proj Hqs coordinate on the maximum acceptable delay for operational missions. Factors to be considered are, tankers loiter time, sun angle, maintenance capability. Ops and Ops Plans to resolve
- (3) It will be necessary to establish a timing count down if tankers are required to stage. OXC/Plans to determine timing and count down based on worst staging situation.

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25X1	(4) Total custom concept was discussed. OXC/ Plans to determine, in coordination the limiting factors and timing required. plans	25
25X1	felt that it could be accomplished provided flight plan in their hands at H-24. feels that this should be checked out with an exercise.	25
25X1 25X1 25X1	(5) requested that Oplan be written based on 3 aircraft deployed, rather than 2 as specified "29-30 July BLACK SHIELD Meeting." This was approved by Gen. Ledford in telecom with 14 Sept.	
I	(6) requested 7500# be specified in Oplan as fuel reserve on Opnl msns.	
	(7) Suspense date of 15 Nov. for supporting plans not concurred in by would like to move to 1 Dec so as to avoid changes. Proj Hqs position was that this would be considered in light of other committments such as rewrite of CAROUSEL, CPX Exercises ORI, etc.	25)
	B. PINWHEEL Operations (General)	
25X1	(1) pointed out that on certain operational missions, subsonic cruise to first Air Refueling should be considered. OXC/OPS/Plans will establish coordinated position. Proj Hqs will advise	25
25X1	(2) Turn Around Capability on BLACK SHIELD was discussed at length. gave the following as position on Operational Capability at Kadena:	25) 25)
	a With a single A/C deployed, two missions a week with no back-to-back capability.	
	b Two A/C: max three missions a week without spares being utilized.	
	\underline{c} Three A/C: three missions a week with spares being utilized.	
	C. Items for F. E. COORDINATION Visit:	
25X1	(1) position on use of mode X in F.E. Mode X to be located as follows:	
	a One Van at Kadena, (this would be in the nature of a Luxury for Task Force Commander).	
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c One Van available for deploy to forward bases if required.

d One Van remain at Key West in support of SKYLARK.

e One Hybrid unit at Kadena, probably Kumi Point.

 \underline{g} In addition, any Hybrid sites in the Far East \overline{c} oordination team may recommend.

- (2) will forward wire amplifying above position regarding Mode X.
- (3) Capt. Paul Jones, AFRDR, requested that F. E. coordination team obtain Radar Coverage Map(s) of Far East Area.
- (4) Safe Passage procedures should be looked into on F. E. visit, particularly as applied to Vietnam Zone.
- (5) Problem of Air Space reservations discussed. Some items requiring clarification include:

- b Advance notification for clearance.
- c Priority system.
- (6) 903 ARS representatives requested that F. E. coordination team check covert/overt operational procedures applying to tankers operating out of Kadena and obtain any 5 AF directives on this subject. As a point of contact a Major Miller, Det 1, 3 AD, Yakota AFB was given.
- (7) It was recommended that team also check with Kadena/Naha Air Traffic Control facilities regarding

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availability of airspace for local air refueling top off area. (I.E. problems of traffic density, etc.)

D. The following items discussed applying to deployment to Kadena:

F-101 Deployment: 25X1 to come in with a final recommendation as to whether TAC pilots to ferry 101's. This to be made as soon as possible after Col. Holbury's return. . (2) If _____to ferry 101's, aircraft will be 25X1 ferried "buddy", with three tankers at least five days prior to A-12 deployment. 101's will deploy using regular SAC/TAC overseas deployment procedures, if ferried by Oplan will cover procedures in Appendix to the Operations Annex. A-12 Deployment: Sub-Sonic deployment will require revision to entire CAROUSEL Plan (I.E. Supply of PF-1 required at Hickam, recovery team bases change, timing will change, etc.) Flow chart for Sub-Sonic deployment tanker support proposed by 903rd ARS, attached.

utilization requires SAC approval.

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(3) During discussion of requirement for monitor on tanker(s), position was that this was not required, they did want to go on record; however, as requesting a readout capability at Hickam for deployment.

- (4) Subject of missed air refueling or emergency diversion discussed. In this regard requested that in CAROUSEL Oplan we direct tanker to accompany A-12 to emergency landing or missed A/R base.
- (5) A method of station keeping during Buddy flight was discussed and suggestion made to look into

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installation of APN 135 transponder in A-12 as a means of station keeping. It was pointed out here that the present concept remains that no installations be made which require wiring changes in any BLACK SHIELD A/C. aware of this, but indicated they would look into rewiring involved and advise.

- (6) indicated that during deployment they feel that A-12 Task Force Commander be in place at Hickam. This to be included in revised Oplan with Proj Hqs approval.
- (7) 'Col. Dayton advised that a 903rd Operations Officer will be in place at Hickam for duration of deployment.
- (8) Weather minimums must be established for CAROUSEL -- agreed to forward wire including recommendations. Present thinking in terms of 5000' 5 mi.
- (9) Question was raised regarding a point at which DTFC (Col. Holbury) take over operational control of A-12 inbound to Kadena. Suggestion was made that this might possibly be after last A/R. position on this will be outlined in wire. Specific procedures and points of responsibility for operational control of A-12 during deployment to Kadena be further amplified in CAROUSEL Oplan.
- (10) Weather personnel requested that Realm msgs be included in timing Appendix, rather than as a part of the Weather Annex. Hqs Ops/Ops Plans coordinate with Hqs Weather staff.
- 4. Final meeting of all participants was conducted at 1330 15 Sept. Consisted of summarizing activities of all working groups and recap of items requiring actions.

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